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Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire  
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Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
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RE: Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC for Approval of Residential Energy Efficient Appliances and Devices Program  
**Docket No. 2022-41-E**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

By this letter, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") hereby notifies the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") that ORS has reviewed the Application submitted by Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP" or the "Company") on January 20, 2022, for approval of the Residential Energy Efficient Appliances and Devices Program ("Program") and corresponding tariff.

Through the Application, the Company requested approval to implement the Program, which will be included as part of its suite of energy efficiency ("EE") and demand-side management ("DSM") programs.

Specifically, the Company requests the following:

- 1) The Commission approve the Program as proposed without the need for pre-filed testimony or a hearing because the Company asserts the proposed Program and associated tariff do not require determination of the entire rate structure and overall rate of return;
- 2) Costs reasonably and prudently incurred by the Company associated with the implementation of the Program be eligible for recovery pursuant to the Company's EE/DSM mechanism through the annual EE/DSM rider proceedings; and
- 3) Termination of the current Residential Save Energy and Water Kit Program ("SEWK") SEW-2 Tariff given that the proposed Program seeks to advance a more comprehensive tariff that will encompass the measures promoted under the SEWK program.

Based on its review, ORS does not object to the Company's request that the Commission approve the Program as proposed without the need for pre-filed testimony or a hearing and that, if the proposed Program is approved, it become effective as soon as possible and the current SEWK Program, and associated tariff, be terminated.

ORS also does not object to the Company's request to recover all reasonably and prudently incurred costs associated with the Program pursuant to the currently approved EE/DSM Mechanism through the annual EE/DSM rider proceedings.

Sincerely,



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